

## Message Text

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ACTION EA-14

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INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SPC-03

SS-20 USIA-15 EB-11 COME-00 TRSE-00 AID-20 DRC-01

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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6382

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY MANILA

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, PFOR, MY, IS

SUBJECT: MALAYSIA BANS TRADE WITH ISRAEL

1. PRIME MINISTER TUN ABDUL RAZAK HAS ORDERED IMMEDIATE BAN ALL EXPORTS AND IMPORTS TO AND FROM ISRAEL. MALAYSIA IMPORTED FROM ISRAEL MAINLY ORANGES AND FERTILIZERS AND EXPORTED TO ISRAEL MOSTLY RUBBER AND TIN. VOLUME OF TRADE BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES SMALL WITH 1971 TRADE FIGURES SHOWING MALAYSIA IMPORTED M\$11 MILLION AND EXPORTED M\$2 MILLION. (NOTE: M\$2.45/ US\$1.00). IN MAKING ANNOUNCEMENT MARCH 4, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY HUSSEIN ONN NOTED THAT WHILE THE BAN INCLUDED IMPORT OF ISRAELI GOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES (FOR WHICH READ SINGAPORE), MALAYSIA COULD NOT STOP OTHER COUNTRIES FROM EXPORTING ITS GOODS TO ISRAEL. HE ALSO ASSURED MALAYSIANS THAT KING FAISAL HAS SAID ANY SHORTFALL IN UREA

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SUPPLY WOULD BE MADE UP BY SAUDIS.

2. COMMENT: PRESUMABLY MALAYSIAN ACTION IS IN RESPONSE TO  
REQUEST MADE BY FAISAL AT LAHORE OR DURING PRIME MINISTER  
RAZAK'S SHORT VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA LAST WEEK. IT IS CONSISTENT  
WITH INCREASING EMPHASIS PLACED IN RECENT WEEKS ON MALAYSIA'S  
TRADITIONALLY PRO-ARAB POLICY AND WILL SATISFY MANY  
MUSLIMS HERE WHO QUESTIONED WHY THIS WAS NOT DONE LAST OCTOBER.  
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